B. BILLS BY DCA BOARDS, BUREAUS, & PROGRAMS

(1) ACCOUNTANCY

AB 797 Ma

Accountants: Discipline: Internet Posting

Died on Senate **Inactive File**

Would have required the California Board of Accountancy to post on its Internet web site the text of decisions it issued imposing discipline against a licensee for a period of at least 10 years.

SB 870 Ducheny

Accountancy: Peer Review & Practice Privilege Programs

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves position authority for 2.0 positions funded via redirection in FY 2010-11, and ongoing, to implement the Peer Review Program mandated by AB 138 (Chapter 312, Statutes of 2009) and approves position authority for 2.0 positions in FY 2010-11, on ongoing, to continue the Practice Privilege Program as outlined in SB 819 (Chapter 308, Statutes of 2009).

SB 1490

Accountants

Enacted

Business. **Professions** & Economic **Dev Com**

Makes several minor, non-substantive changes to various provisions of law pertaining to the Board of Accountancy. (Urgency Clause)

Chapter 298

SB 1491 Business.

Professions & Vocations

Enacted

Professions & Economic **Dev Com**

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to non-health regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Chapter 415

(2) ACUPUNCTURE

AB 1391 Eng

Acupuncture Board

Died in Senate Business, **Professions & Economic Dev** Committee

Would have extended the sunset date of the Acupuncture Board and extended its authority to appoint an executive officer from January 1, 2011 to January 1, 2017.

Committee

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted Chapter 719

on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

(3) ALL BOARDS / BUREAUS / COMMISSIONS / PROGRAMS

AB 471 Nava

Legal Services

Vetoed

Would have made several technical and clarifying changes to current law related to the State Attorney General's oversight of use of legal counsel by state agencies.

AB 1585

State Government: Reporting Requirements: Required Repealer

Enacted

Accountability

Review Committee

Modifies the process for state and local agencies submitting Administrative statutorily required reports to the Legislature, requires a sunset date on all future statutorily required legislative reports, and deletes obsolete reports from a list maintained by Legislative Counsel. (Urgency Clause)

Chapter 7

AB 1659 Huber

State Government: Agency Repeals

Enacted Chapter 666

Creates the Joint Sunset Review Committee in the Legislature, which will be responsible for analysis of specified state agencies, to determine if the agencies continue to be necessary and cost effective.

AB 1993 Strickland,

Audra

Reports: Declarations

Died in Senate **Rules Committee**

Would have required written reports submitted to the Legislature to include a signed statement by the head of the entity declaring that the factual contents of the report are true.

AB 2038 Eng

Franchise Tax Board: Professional or Occupational Licenses

Died in **Assembly Appropriations** Committee

Beginning January 1, 2012 and ending January 1, 2016, would have permitted a state governmental licensing entity to suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue a license if a licensee or applicant for licensure failed to pay income taxes, and would have required the Franchise Tax Board to discipline a licensee if the appropriate licensing entity failed to make a decision regarding the suspension or revocation of the license.

AB 2130 Huber

Professions & Vocations: Sunset Review

Enacted Chapter 670

Abolishes the Joint Committee on Boards, Commissions, and Consumer Protection and requires state entities with sunset dates on or after January 1, 2011, to be subject to review by the Joint Sunset Review Committee that would be created by AB 1659 (Huber, 2010). Also, establishes new sunset dates for programs not related to the Department of Consumer Affairs. This bill also repeals Business & Professions Code section 101.1, which allowed Boards subject to sunset review to become bureaus un the Department of Consumer Affairs upon becoming inoperative or being repealed.

AB 2466 Smyth

Regulations: Legislative Validation: Effective Date

Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Would have delayed a regulation's effective date from 30 to 90 days after the filing date with the Secretary of State, and required the Office of Administrative Law to submit a copy of the regulation to the Legislature for review.

AB 2500 Hagman

Professions & Vocations: Licenses: Military Service

EnactedChapter 389

Waives the penalty fee for late renewal of any type of state license issued by a Department of Consumer Affairs entity, for a member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces, who was on active duty at the time their license expired.

AB 2652 Niello

Administrative Regulations: Legislative Review

Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Would have required a standing committee with jurisdiction over a state agency proposing to adopt a regulation with a gross cost in excess of \$10,000,000 to hold an informational hearing regarding the proposed regulation.

AB 2738 Niello

Regulations: Agency Statement of Reasons

Enacted

Chapter 398

Establishes new requirements for state agencies when adopting regulations that require the use of specific technology, equipment, or procedures. These provisions will be operative between January 1, 2012, and January 1, 2014. (*Urgency Clause*)

AB 2783 Veterans

Affairs Com

<u>Professions & Vocations: Military Personnel</u>

Enacted

Chapter 214

Requires state licensing boards to consult the Military Department, in addition to the Department of Veteran Affairs, prior to adopting rules and regulations related to the education, training, and experience obtained in the armed services and how it can meet licensure requirements for occupations and professions licensed and regulated under the Department of Consumer Affairs.

SB 294 Negrete McLeod

Professions & Vocations: Regulation

Enacted Chapter 695

Adjusts the sunset dates for specified regulatory programs of the Department of Consumer Affairs to conform to the sunset review schedule released by the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee.

SB 389 Negrete McLeod

Professions & Vocations: CORI

Died in Assembly Public Safety Committee

Would have required all licensees of the Department of Consumer Affairs boards, bureaus, and commission listed in Section 144(b) of the Business and Professions Code to be fingerprinted and to undergo a criminal offender record information (CORI) search if they had not already done so or if a record of them doing so no longer existed.

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Department of Consumer Affairs: Budget Trailer Bill

Enacted Chapter 719

Eliminates authority of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs to transfer the investigative, inspectional, and auditing positions to the Division of Investigations; requires the Department to give various legislative committees 30 days notice before entering into a contract to update enforcement and licensing computer programs; requires implementation of BreEZe to be consistent with project costs approved by the State Chief Information Officer"s Office; and requires the Department to report to the Legislature, by December 31, 2014 on BreEZe implementation impacts.

SB 870 Ducheny

Department of Consumer Affairs: Budget Bill

EnactedChapter 712

Approves the reduction of 4.0 part-time positions and \$208,000 in FY 2010-11 in the DCA call center; the reduction of 39.6 positions and \$5,240,000 in FY 2010-11 for the consolidation of various Boards and Bureaus within the Department of Consumer Affairs and the shift of the Structural Pest Control Board from DCA to the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, pursuant to AB4x 20 (Chapter 18, Statutes of 2009); and approves the addition of 107.0 positions and \$12,770,000 to address major enforcement procedure reforms, workload increases and to eliminate existing backlogs in DCA Board/Bureau enforcement programs.

SB 1330 Judiciary Com

Maintenance of the Codes

EnactedChapter 328

Makes several minor and technical changes in California codes relative to outdated language and grammar errors. These changes were recommended by the Legislative Counsel's Office and make no substantive changes to existing law.

(4) ARCHITECTS

AB 1746 Emmerson

Architects: Continuing Education

EnactedChapter 240

Authorizes the California Architects Board to audit the continuing education (CE) records of a licensee and require licensees to only provide specific CE documentation in the case of an audit, and eliminates the current requirement that licensees submit CE documentation at the time of license renewal.

(5) ATHLETIC COMMISSION

SB 1098 Corbett

Athlete Agents

Vetoed

Would have repealed the Miller-Ayala Athlete Agents Act which governs the conduct of athletic agents, replacing the existing law with the Uniform Athlete Agent Act developed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Also, required athlete agents to register with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and required DIR to issue registration certificates

based on the application forms and certificates of other states with similar registration requirements. The Veto message states the program would be more appropriately placed within the Department of Consumer Affairs.

(6) AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR

AB 519 Solorio

Vehicles: Towing Fees & Access Notice

Establishes notice and invoicing standards for individuals and companies that offer towing services and/or towed vehicle storage services and defines the type of documentation that a towing company may require to release a vehicle.

Enacted Chapter 566

AB 787 Hill

Smog Check: Vehicle Repair Assistance & Retirement Program

Makes various changes to the Department of Consumer Affairs' repair assistance and vehicle retirement options offered by the Smog Check program, administered by the Bureau of Automotive Repair. One change raises the vehicle retirement amount to \$1,500 for low-income individuals.

Enacted Chapter 231

AB 1740 Jeffries

Vehicles: Specially Constructed Vehicles

Would have increased the number of specially constructed vehicles that could be registered each year from 500 to 750.

Died in Senate Transportation & Housing Committee

AB 1815 Emmerson

<u>Vehicles: Special Interest License Plates: NASCAR</u>

Would have authorized the Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR), within the Department of Consumer Affairs, to apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles to sponsor a program for a series of specialized National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR) license plates, the fees from which would be transferred to the High Polluter Repair or Removal Account for use by BAR's Consumer Assistance Program.

Died in Senate Transportation & Housing Committee

AB 2289 Eng

Smog Check Program: Testing: Penalties

Makes a number of program changes to upgrade the motor vehicle inspection and maintenance (Smog Check) program, operated by the Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) within the Department of Consumer Affairs. These changes include increasing flexibility in testing procedures, adopting new technologies, adopting a more stringent fine structure for Smog Check technicians as well as stations, and requiring an annual evaluation of the Smog Check program by BAR.

Enacted Chapter 258

AB 2461 Emmerson

Vehicles: Vehicle Registration Amnesty Program

Extends the Department of Motor Vehicles' registration amnesty program an additional 12 months, from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012, and exempts certain vehicles from various Smog Check inspection requirements when seeking amnesty.

Enacted Chapter 388

SB 165 Lowenthal

Vehicles: Specially Constructed Vehicles

Died on Assembly Inactive File

Would have recast provisions relating to specially constructed vehicles (SPCN) and provided that the owner of a currently registered SPCN may apply to register the vehicle using a different model year.

SB 427

Automotive Repair: Crash Parts

Vetoed

Negrete McLeod

Would have redefined the term "aftermarket crash part" and added a definition for "crash part." Also, increased criminal penalties for automotive repair dealers that failed to replace an airbag that a consumer had been charged for the replacement.

SB 435 Pavley

Vehicles: Pollution Control Devices

EnactedChapter 407

Makes it a crime for a person to park, use, or operate a motorcycle registered in the state that is manufactured on and after January 1, 2013, or a motorcycle, registered in the state, with aftermarket exhaust system equipment that is manufactured on or after January 1, 2013, that does not have a federal Environmental Protection Agency exhaust system label.

SB 1156 Cedillo

Heavy-Duty Trucks: Grants: Compliance

Died at Assembly Desk

Would have diverted \$20 million collected to implement the Enhanced Fleet Modernization Program to the Air Resources Board (ARB) for the purpose of providing grants to small business owners of on-road heavy-duty diesel-fueled trucks, buses, and drayage trucks to meet ARB heavy-duty truck regulations.

(7) BARBERING & COSMETOLOGY

SB 870 Ducheny

Barbering & Cosmetology: New Establishment Inspections

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves 4.0 positions and \$303,000 in FY 2010-11, and \$238,000 ongoing, to ensure compliance with the 90-day mandate to review establishments.

SB 1491 Business,

Professions & Vocations

Enacted

Professions & Economic Dev Com

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to non-health regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Chapter 415

(8) BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

AB 1730 Emmerson

Personal Rights: Monetary Liability

Enacted Chapter 82

Provides that there is no monetary liability on the part of, and no cause of action for damages can arise against, any member of a peer review committee, composed chiefly of marriage and family therapists.

AB 2167 Nava

Clinical Social Workers: Examination Requirements

Enacted

Authorizes the Board of Behavioral Sciences to approve use of the national licensing examination for applicants seeking licensure as

Chapter 546

AB 2191 Emmerson

Healing Arts: Behavioral Sciences: Licensure

Enacted

Chapter 548

Requires the Board for Behavioral Sciences to issue a retired license to a marriage and family therapist, licensed educational psychologist, licensed clinical social worker, or a professional clinical counselor who holds a current and active license, applies for the retired license, and pays a fee.

AB 2435

Elder & Dependent Adult Abuse

Licensed Clinical Social Workers.

Enacted

Chapter 552

Lowenthal, Bonnie

Requires psychologists, marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers, and professional clinical counselors to have training on the recognition and reporting of suspected elder and dependent adult abuse as a requirement for licensure, either taken in a degree program or as continuing education.

Enacted

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review <u>Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services</u>

Chapter 719

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 870 Ducheny

Behavioral Sciences: Additional Staff

Enacted

Chapter 712

Approves a 0.5 position funded via redirection in FY 2010-11, and ongoing, to address the increased workload to verify and validate that licensees are meeting the continuing education requirements for biennial license renewal. Also, approves 2.5 positions and \$791,000 beginning January 1, 2011, and \$970,000 ongoing, to implement the requirements for Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors as mandated by SB 788 (Chapter 619, Statutes of 2009).

SB 1489

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Healing Arts

Enacted Chapter 653

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to the health-related regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

(9) CEMETERY & FUNERAL

AB 2283 Miller

Disposition of Human Remains: Alkaline Hydrolysis

Would have changed the statutory definition of "cremation" to include alkaline hydrolysis, a chemical dissolution process using heat, high pressure water and potassium hydroxide to dissolve human tissue. Also, would have required the Cemetery and Funeral

Died in Senate Environmental Quality Committee Bureau to adopt regulations for the safe operation of alkaline hydrolysis chambers in California.

SB 1491

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Professions & Vocations

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to non-health regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

(10) CONTRACTORS

AB 510 Skinner

Net Energy Metering

Requires that a licensed contractor prepare an inspection report for an electrical corporation when entering into a new net metering contract with a customer with an existing electrical generating facility and meter.

AB 660 Torrico

Sprinkler Fitters: Licensing

Would have required certification and regulation of sprinkler fitters by the State Fire Marshal and would have prohibited a person from performing work on a fire suppression system without a certificate or permit issued by the State Fire Marshal.

AB 1074 Conway

Contractors: Fraudulent License Numbers

Would have provided that it is a crime if a person willfully and intentionally uses, with the intent to defraud, any number that does not correspond to the number on a currently valid contractor's license held by that person.

AB 2267 Eng

Contractors: License Requirements: Bond

Would have limited the amount of money that a material supplier could recover from a contractor's bond to \$4,000 (from \$7,500) and would have allowed a property owner of a single-family dwelling to recover the full amount from the contractor's bond (\$12,500) rather than the current \$7,500 limit.

AB 2305 Knight

Contractors: Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage

Extends the sunset dates (from 2011 to 2013) for provisions that require a contractor with a C-39 classification (roofing contractor) to obtain and maintain workers' compensation insurance coverage, even if he or she has no employees. Also, extends the Contractors State License Board's authority to automatically suspend any contractor's license holding a roofing classification if workers' compensation certificates are not on file by a specified time.

AB 2332 Eng

Contractors: Licenses

Would have authorized the Contractors' State License Board to refuse to issue, reinstate, reactivate, renew, or suspend a

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Enacted

Chapter 415

Enacted Chapter 6

Died in Senate Appropriations Committee

Died in Senate Public Safety Committee

Died in Assembly Business & Professions

Committee

Enacted Chapter 423

Vetoed

contractor's license for failure to resolve outstanding liabilities assessed by the Board of Equalization.

AB 2419

Contractors Cook

Vetoed

Would have removed the apostrophe in the names of the Contractors' State License Law, the Contractors' License Fund, and the Contractors' State License Board and also, would have renamed specified classifications of contractors.

SB 189 Lowenthal

Mechanics Liens

Enacted

Chapter 697

Recasts and revises the mechanics lien law by making a number of clarifying changes, updating archaic provisions, and streamlining procedures. This statute does not take effect until July 1, 2012.

SB 392 Florez

Contractors: Limited Liability Companies

Enacted

Chapter 698

Authorizes the issuance of a contractor's license to a limited liability company (LLC) and requires a licensed LLC to obtain and maintain a \$1,000,000 insurance policy, plus an additional \$100,000 per licensee in excess of five employed by the LLC, up to a maximum of \$5,000,000 insurance.

SB 629 Liu

Private Works of Improvement: Retention Proceeds

Died on Senate Inactive File

Would have required for contracts entered into on or after January 1. 2010 between an owner and an original contractor, between an original contractor and a subcontractor, and between two subcontractors, that the amount of retention proceeds withheld from any payments made under contract would not exceed 5 percent of the total contract price.

SB 870 Ducheny

Contractors: Convert Limited Term Positions to Permanent

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves 11.0 Enforcement Representative positions and \$918,000 in FY 2010-11, and ongoing, to convert existing limited term positions to premanent for the Economic and Employment Enforcement Coalition effort. Also, approves position authority for a 0.5 Information Technology position, funded via redirection, to provide analysis, development and support for the Board's critical Licensing and Enforcement System and to support their Website Operation.

SB 1254 Leno

Contractors: Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage

Enacted Chapter 643

Authorizes the Registrar of the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) to issue a stop work order to any contractor who has failed to secure workers' compensation insurance coverage for his or her employees. Also, authorizes the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs to designate nine additional persons as peace officers for assignment to the special investigations unit of the CSLB.

SB 1373 Leno

Sales & Use Taxes: Retailer: Construction Contractor

Died in Senate Revenue & Taxation Committee

Would have designated a paving construction contractor as a retailer of the materials that he or she furnishes, installs, or produces and thereby impose sales taxes on these materials.

SB 1491

Professions & Vocations

Enacted

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to non-health regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Chapter 415

(11) COURT REPORTERS

SB 1181 Cedillo

Shorthand Reporters: Transcript Reimbursement Fund

Enacted Chapter 518

Allows indigent persons that represent themselves in civil litigation to obtain reimbursement from the Transcript Reimbursement Fund (TRF) and extends the sunset on the operation of the TRF from January 1, 2011, to January 1, 2013.

(12) DENTISTS / DENTAL HYGIENISTS

AB 456 Emmerson

Dentistry: Diversion Program

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

Would have modified the statutory requirements of the Dental Board of California's diversion program to allow for more communication between the Board's diversion program and the Board's enforcement division.

AB 583 Hayashi

Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education

EnactedChapter 436

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

AB 1524 Dentis

Dentistry: Examination Requirements

Enacted

Chapter 446

Establishes a new licensure pathway for dentists via a "portfolio assessment" which is based on testing performed in dental school, and abolishes the clinical and written examination that is currently administered by the Dental Board of California.

AB 1570 Salas

Malpractice Insurance: Volunteer Dentists

Vetoed

Would have required the Dental Board of California (Board), in conjunction with the Health Professions Education Foundation, to study the issue of having the Board provide malpractice insurance to dentists who provide voluntary, unpaid services, and report its findings to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2012.

AB 2699

Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

Enacted

Chapter 270

Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

Chapter 719

SB 1111

Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Died in Senate Business. **Professions & Economic Dev** Committee

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards' authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

SB 1172

Negrete McLeod

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Enacted

Chapter 517

Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation.

(13) ELECTRONIC & APPLIANCE REPAIR, HOME FURNISHINGS & THERMAL INSULATION

AB 2111 Smyth

Service Contracts

Enacted Chapter 543

Makes changes to service contracts exemptions, pro rata refunds, products covered under service contracts, and expands the scope of parties permitted to sell service contracts. Also, adopts language from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Model Act and extends the sunset date to January 1, 2018.

SB 772 Leno

Home Furnishings: Fire Retardancy: Juvenile Products

Would have exempted strollers, infant carriers, bassinets, and nursing pillows from complying with fire retardant regulations set by

Died in Assembly **Appropriations** Committee

the Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation unless they determined a product posed a serious fire hazard.

SB 1291 Leno

Chemicals of Concern: Flame Retardants

Died on Senate Inactive File

Would have required the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to evaluate flame retardant chemicals used to meet the Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home Furnishings, Thermal Insulation (BEARHFTI) flammability standards, and prohibited the use of new flame retardant chemicals, until they had been evaluated by the DTSC. Also, would have required the DTSC, in consultation with the BEARHFTI and other relevant entities, to perform a comparative risk assessment of the flame retardant chemicals and the flammability standards.

(14) ENGINEERS & LAND SURVEYORS

AB 1431 Hill

Geologists & Geophysicists

EnactedChapter 696

Renames the Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors as the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists and increases the membership of the Board from 13 members to 15 by adding one additional professional member who is a licensed geologist or geophysicist, and one public member. Both new members will be appointed by the Governor.

SB 870 Ducheny

<u>Professional Engineers: Citations Program Workload</u>

Enacted
Chapter 712

Approves a 1.0 two-year limited term position and \$94,000 in FY 2010-11, and 1.0 position and \$86,000 ongoing, to address complaint caseload and citation backlog.

Also approves a permanent special fund augmentation for 3.0 positions and \$559,000 in FY 2010-11, and 3.0 positions and \$544,000 ongoing, to fund the transfer of the former Board of Geologists and Geophysicists' (BGG) mandated responsibilites and workload to the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (BPELS). Also, redirects 1.0 position and \$88,000 from BPELS to BGG's enforcement program and a \$43,000 internal cost recovery for BPELS from BGG associated with the oversignt of Geology staff and related workload.

SB 1008 Padilla

Engineering & Land Surveying: Limited Liability Partnerships

Enacted Chapter 634

Allows licensed engineers and land surveyors to operate as limited liability partnerships (LLPs) until January 1, 2016. Also, establishes certain security requirements, in the form of minimum insurance, escrow funds or net worth, for engineering and land surveying LLPs designed to protect consumers in the event of a successful liability claim against the LLP.

SB 1491

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Professions & Vocations

Enacted Chapter 415

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to non-health regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

(15) FIDUCIARIES, PROFESSIONAL

AB 2271 Silva

Probate: Appeals

Enacted Chapter 94

Allows a probate court to appoint a temporary trustee, who can exercise trustee powers, to replace the removed trustee during the course of their appeal of a probate order or judgment.

AB 2493 Fuller

Conservators: Photograph of Missing Conservatee

Enacted

Chapter 97

Requires, upon the establishment of a conservatorship by the court and annually thereafter, that a conservator of a person ensure that a clear photograph of the conservatee is taken and preserved for the purpose of identifying the conservatee if he or she becomes missing.

SB 202 Harman

Trustees: Duties

Enacted

Chapter 621

Makes minor changes to the Probate Code relating to trusts, including clarifying when trustees must give "trustee notification" to beneficiaries, the settlor's heirs, and the Attorney General. Also increases the size of small trusts that the trustee has the discretionary power to terminate from \$20,000 to \$40,000.

SB 1038 Harman

Powers of Attorney: Duties

Enacted

Chapter 48

Clarifies statute in order to hold attorneys-in-fact liable for damages to an estate if the attorney-in-fact acted in bad faith.

(16) GEOLOGISTS & GEOPHYSICISTS

AB 1431 Hill

Geologists & Geophysicists

Enacted

Chapter 696

Renames the Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors as the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists and increases the membership of the Board from 13 members to 15 by adding one additional professional member who is a licensed geologist or geophysicist, and one public member. Both new members will be appointed by the Governor.

(17) GUIDE DOGS

SB 1491 Business,

Professions & Vocations

Enacted

Chapter 415

Professions & Economic Dev Com

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to non-health regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

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(18) LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

SB 189 Lowenthal

Mechanics Liens

EnactedChapter 697

Recasts and revises the mechanics lien law by making a number of clarifying changes, updating archaic provisions, and streamlining procedures. This statute does not take effect until July 1, 2012.

(19) MEDICINE

AB 583 Hayashi

Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education

Enacted

Chapter 436

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

AB 646 Swanson

Physicians & Surgeons: Employment

Died in Senate Health Committee

Would have repealed an existing pilot project that exempts certain district hospitals from the prohibition against the corporate practice of medicine and would have instead provided an exemption, until January 1, 2021, to local health care districts that include certain documented underserved populations and that apply for such exemption to the Medical Board.

AB 648 Chesbro

Rural Hospitals: Physician Services

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

Would have established the Rural Hospital Physician and Surgeon Services Demonstration Project, which would have exempted rural hospitals, as defined, from the prohibition against the corporate practice of medicine. Rural hospitals directly employing physicians would have been prohibited from interfering with physicians' independent medical judgment in providing care to patients.

AB 1235 Hayashi

Medicine: Peer Review

Vetoed

Would have (1) encouraged external peer review of healing arts licensees in specified circumstances, (2) provided for increased sharing of information between peer review bodies, and (3) made a number of changes to the processes and procedures for hearings held regarding the proposed final decisions of peer review bodies.

AB 1767 Hill

Medicine: Legal Representation for Expert Reviewers

EnactedChapter 451

Requires the State Attorney General, upon request of the Medical Board (Board), to provide legal representation to a licensed physician who served as an expert reviewer for the Board in a disciplinary case and is now subject to a disciplinary proceeding by a specialty board as a result of his or her expert review. Also, extends the January 1, 2011 sunset date for the Board to appoint trustees to the Health Professions Education Foundation to January 1, 2016.

AB 2386 Gilmore

Armed Forces: Medical Personnel

Enacted Chapter 151

Allows a member of the armed forces who is licensed as a physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse in another state to practice in a California hospital as part of an educational program designed to further the combat readiness of the armed forces member.

AB 2566 Carter

Cosmetic Surgery: Employment of Physicians & Surgeons

Vetoed

Would have increased the penalty for a business providing outpatient elective cosmetic medical procedures or treatments in violation of the prohibition against the corporate practice of medicine.

AB 2600 Ma

Medicine: Continuing Education

Enacted

Chapter 268

As originally written, would have required the Medical Board to consider requiring physicians to complete a course in the diagnosis and treatment of hepatitis as part of existing continuing education requirements. The bill was later substantially amended to address a different topic, and no longer under the purview of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

AB 2699 Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

Enacted

Chapter 270

Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.

SB 700 Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts: Peer Review

Enacted

Chapter 505

Makes a number of changes to the healing arts professional peer review reporting process, including establishing procedures for expunging records of peer reviews found to have been conducted in bad faith, and establishing procedures for earlier reporting to licensing boards, so that the boards may become aware of possible misconduct earlier.

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

Chapter 719

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 870 Ducheny

70 <u>Medical Board: Additional Staff</u>

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves 7.8 additional positions funded via redirection in FY 2010-11, and ongoing, in the Board's Licensing Unit to review and process physician/surgeon medical licensure applications. Also, approves

1.0 position and \$88,000 in FY 2010-11, and \$58,000 ongoing, to implement the registration of polysomnographic technologists, pursuant to AB 132 (Chapter 365, Statutes of 2009)

SB 726 Ashburn

Rural Hospitals: Employment of Physicians & Surgeons

Would have extended the sunset date for an existing pilot project that provides a limited exemption from the prohibition against the corporate practice of medicine ("pilot project") from January 1, 2011 to January 1, 2018, and made limited expansions to the pilot project.

Failed in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

SB 1031 Corbett

Medical Malpractice Insurance: Volunteer Physicians & Surgeons Died in

Would have created the Volunteer Insured Physicians Program within the Medical Board, which would have provided liability insurance, funded by the Board, to physicians who voluntarily provide their services free of charge to qualified health care entities.

Assembly
Business &
Professions
Committee

SB 1111 Negrete

McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards' authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

SB 1150 Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts: Advertisements & Clinic Regulation

Would have strengthened requirements for advertisements and disclosures by healing arts practitioners, required regulation of fertility clinics as outpatient settings, increased oversight and enforcement of the use of lasers and intense pulse light devices in cosmetic medical procedures, and increased oversight and enforcement of accredited outpatient medical settings.

Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 1172 Negrete

McLeod

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation.

Enacted Chapter 517

SB 1410 Cedillo

Medicine: Licensure Examinations

Would have (1) allowed an applicant for a physician's license to take Step III of the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) as many times as needed to pass, (2) modified the date that a USMLE applicant's passing score is determined, (3) required

Vetoed

the Medical Board to pass a formal resolution when adopting a passing score for its exams, and (4) specified the procedures for that resolution.

SB 1489

Healing Arts

Enacted

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to the health-related regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Chapter 653

(20) NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

AB 583 Hayashi

Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education

Enacted Chapter 436

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

AB 2699 Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

Enacted

Chapter 270

Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted Chapter 719

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 1050 Yee

Naturopathic Medicine Committee

Enacted Chapter 143

Restructures the Naturopathic Medicine Committee (Committee) into an independent regulatory entity in all but name, and restructures the Committee's membership. Also removes the naturopathic doctor members from the Osteopathic Medical Board and replaces them with public members appointed by the Legislature.

SB 1111

Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards' authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

SB 1172

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Enacted

Chapter 517

Negrete McLeod

Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation.

SB 1246

Naturopathic Medicine: Assistants, Laboratory Work

Enacted

Chapter 523

Negrete McLeod

Establishes the regulatory category of and defines a scope of practice for naturopathic assistants. Also, authorizes naturopathic doctors and naturopathic assistants to perform specified laboratory work.

(21) OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

Chapter 719

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 870 Ducheny

Occupational Therapy: Assistant for the Executive Officer

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves 1.0 position and \$109,000 in FY 2010-11, and \$99,000 ongoing, to fund an SSM 1 to relieve the Executive Officer of day-to-day supervisory duties.

SB 999

Walters

Occupational Therapy

Enacted

Chapter 173

Prohibits the public members of the California Board of Occupational Therapy from being licensees of any other healing arts board.

SB 1489

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Healing Arts

Enacted

Chapter 653

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to the health-related regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

(22) OPTOMETRY

AB 583 Hayashi

Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education

Enacted Chapter 436

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

AB 2683 Hernandez

Optometry

Enacted

Allows optometrists to practice at long-term care facilities, as well as authorizes an assistant in these facilities to fit prescription lenses under the supervision of an optometrist, physician, surgeon, or ophthalmologist.

Chapter 604

AB 2699 Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

Enacted Chapter 270

Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted Chapter 719

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 870 Ducheny

Optometry: Licensing Position

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves a 0.5 position authority in FY 2010-11, and ongoing, to increase a 0.5 MST position to a 1.0 position to manage the exam and licensing workload.

SB 1111

Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs including: 1) increased the boards' authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

SB 1172

Negrete McLeod

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

EnactedChapter 517

Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation.

SB 1489

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Healing Arts

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to the health-related regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

EnactedChapter 653

(23) OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

AB 583 Hayashi

Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education

Enacted Chapter 436

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

AB 2699 Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

Enacted

Chapter 270

Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

Chapter 719

SB 870 Ducheny

Osteopathic Medicine: Licensing Staff Augmentation

Enacted

Approves 4.0 positions and \$274,000 in FY 2010-11, and \$238,000 ongoing, to address workload growth in the Board's licensing program.

Chapter 712

SB 1050 Yee

Osteopathic Medical Board of California

Enacted

Restructures the Naturopathic Medicine Committee (Committee) into an independent regulatory entity in all but name, and restructures the Committee's membership. Also, removes the naturopathic doctor members from the Osteopathic Medical Board and replaces them with public members appointed by the Legislature.

Chapter 143

SB 1111 Negrete

McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards' authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

SB 1172

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Enacted

Negrete McLeod

Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on Chapter 517

probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation.

(24) PHARMACY

AB 583 Hayashi

Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

AB 977 Skinner

Pharmacists: Immunization Protocols

Would have created a pilot project that would have permitted pharmacists to initiate and administer influenza immunizations to any person 18 years old or older, pursuant to standardized protocols developed and approved by the Medical Board of California, which must consult with public health officers and may consult with the Board of Pharmacy.

AB 1701 Chesbro

Hypodermic Needles & Syringes

Extends the sunset date, from December 31, 2010, to December 31, 2018, of the Disease Prevention Demonstration Project, which permits cities or counties to authorize licensed pharmacists to sell or furnish 10 or fewer hypodermic needles or syringes to a person for use without a prescription, as specified.

AB 2077 Solorio

Pharmacy

Would have expanded the definition of "hospital pharmacy" for purposes of Board of Pharmacy licensure by allowing a hospital pharmacy to be located on separate premises from the hospital it serves and to provide medications to patients at other, commonly owned hospitals.

AB 2104 Hayashi

California State Board of Pharmacy

Authorizes the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs to approve the Executive Officer appointed by the California Board of Pharmacy.

AB 2292

Lowenthal, Bonnie

Pharmacy: Clinics

Would have redefined "clinic," with respect to the Board of Pharmacy's (Board) surgical clinic licensing authority to include outpatient settings accredited by an accrediting agency approved by the Medical Board and ambulatory surgical centers certified by Medicare and directed the Board to inspect clinics in accordance with existing inspection authority.

Enacted

Chapter 436

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

Enacted

Chapter 667

Vetoed

Enacted

Chapter 374

Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

AB 2699 Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

Enacted Chapter 270

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SB 484 Wright

Ephedrine & Pseudoephedrine

Died in Assembly **Appropriations** Committee

Would have provided that any person who obtained ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and specified related drugs without a prescription, as specified, was guilty of an infraction or misdemeanor.

SB 856 Committee

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

Chapter 719

SB 870 Ducheny

Pharmacy: Licensing Support Staff

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves 2.0 positions and \$94,000 in FY 2010-11, and ongoing, to address permanent licensing workload currently being performed by temporary-help staff.

SB 971 Pavley

Bleeding Disorders: Blood Clotting Products

Vetoed

Would have imposed specified requirements on providers of blood clotting products for home use, used for the treatment of hemophilia and related bleeding disorders, and would have required the Board of Pharmacy to administer and enforce the bill's provisions.

SB 1029

Yee

Hypodermic Needles & Syringes

Vetoed

Would have extended and expanded the existing Disease Prevention Demonstration Project, through which pharmacies may furnish hypodermic needles and syringes to a person 18 years or older without a prescription.

SB 1106 Yee

Prescribers: Dispensing of Samples

Died in **Assembly Health** Committee

Would have required a prescriber dispensing a drug sample or starter kit to either provide the patient with a copy of the Food and Drug Administration approved package insert for the drug sample or ensure that the manufacturer's warnings are affixed to the sample.

SB 1111

McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement Negrete

Died in Senate Business. **Professions & Economic Dev** Committee

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards'

authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

SB 1172

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Enacted

Negrete McLeod

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Chapter 517

SB 1390 Corbett

Prescription Drug Labels

Would have repealed existing law requiring the Board of Pharmacy to promulgate regulations requiring standards for patient-centered prescription drug labels and enacted standards for patient-centered labels, including the requirement of certain information being printed in minimum 12-point font.

Failed in Assembly Business & Professions Committee

SB 1489

Business, Professions & Economic Dev Com

Healing Arts

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to the health-related regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

EnactedChapter 653

(25) PHYSICAL THERAPY

AB 2382 Blumenfield

CA State University: Doctor of Physical Therapy Degrees

Authorizes universities in the California State University system to award the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree.

EnactedChapter 425

AB 2699 Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

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Enacted Chapter 270

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental
Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn
personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide
the investigative services for the boards.

Enacted Chapter 719

SB 870 Duchency

Physical Therapy: Continuing Competency Program

Enacted Chapter 712

Approves 1.5 positions and \$115,000 in FY 2010-11, and 2.0 positions and \$125,000 ongoing, to implement the Board's Continuing Competency Program as mandated by AB 120 (Chapter 540, Statutes of 2006)

SB 1111 Negrete

McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

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SB 1172 Negrete

McLeod

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Enacted

Chapter 517

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(26) PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

AB 2386 Gilmore

Armed Forces: Medical Personnel

Enacted Chapter 151

Allows a member of the armed forces who is licensed as a physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse in another state to practice in a California hospital as part of an educational program designed to further the combat readiness of the armed forces member.

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

Chapter 719

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 1069 <u>Physician Assistants</u> Pavlev

Enacted Chapter 512

Permits a physician assistant to perform and sign off on physical examinations required by various laws.

(27) PODIATRIC MEDICINE

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

Chapter 719

SB 953 Walters

Podiatrists: Liability for Emergency Services

Enacted

Chapter 105

Allows podiatrists to administer medical care outside the scope of their practice during an emergency without incurring civil liability.

(28) PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

AB 1140 Niello

California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009

Died on Senate Inactive File

Would have provided for a one-year delay in implementation of the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009, beginning July 1, 2010, for institutions that offer flight instruction or an institution that offers Federal Aviation Administration certified educational programs in aircraft maintenance.

AB 1889 Portantino

California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009

Vetoed

Would have enacted several changes to the Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009, including requiring the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education to employ specific positions on a permanent, full-time basis.

AB 2393 Ammiano

California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009

Vetoed

Would have modified the reporting standard for calculating private postsecondary schools' placement rates with respect to certain apprenticeable and nursing fields. It would have also put language into statute that might have preserved certain legal claims brought under the former Private Postsecondary Act.

SB 856

Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education

Enacted Chapter 719

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Prohibits the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) from enforcing the New Act against institutions that offer flight instruction of FAA certified aircraft maintenance programs until July 1, 2011, and requires those institutions to report to BPPE if they intend to operate between July 1, 2010, and July 1, 2011. Also requires the Bureau of State Audits to analyze whether staffing levels and expertise are sufficient to fulfill BPPE's responsibilities when they conduct the bureau's audit.

SB 870 Ducheny

Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education

EnactedChapter 712

Approves 63.0 positions and \$8,052,000 in FY 2010-11, and \$7,651,000 ongoing, to reestablish the Bureau pursuant to AB 48 (Chapter 310, Statutes of 2009)

(29) PSYCHOLOGY

AB 2435

Elder & Dependent Adult Abuse

Enacted

Chapter 552

Lowenthal, Bonnie

Requires psychologists, marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers, and professional clinical counselors to have training on the recognition and reporting of suspected elder and dependent adult abuse as a requirement for licensure, either taken in a degree program or as continuing education.

AB 2699 Bass

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

Enacted

Chapter 270

Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted Chapter 719

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SB 1111

Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards' authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

SB 1172

Negrete McLeod

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

a clinical diagnostic evaluation.

Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo

Chapter 517

Enacted

(30) REGISTERED NURSING

AB 378 Hagman

Nursing: Continuing Education

Would have specified that any courses that advanced or promoted organized labor, statutory or regulatory changes, or political advocacy would not be considered content relevant to the practice of nursing and, thus, not eligible for credit as continuing education hours.

Died in Senate Business, **Professions & Economic Dev** Committee

AB 583 Hayashi

Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

Enacted Chapter 436

AB 2344 Nielsen

Nursing: Approved Schools

Clarifies the existing definition of "institution of higher education," with respect to the approval of nursing schools, so that it specifically includes educational institutions that offer associate of arts or associate of science degrees.

Enacted

Chapter 208

AB 2386 Gilmore

Armed Forces: Medical Personnel

Allows a member of the armed forces who is licensed as a physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse in another state to practice in a California hospital as part of an educational program designed to further the combat readiness of the armed forces member.

Enacted Chapter 151

Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption

AB 2699 Bass

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and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with

California law during the event.

Enacted

Chapter 270

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted Chapter 719

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

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the investigative services for the boards.

SB 1111

Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards'

Died in Senate Business, **Professions & Economic Dev** Committee

authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

SB 1119 Wright

Health Care Staffing

Vetoed

Would have extended various existing disclosure and reporting requirements to temporary staffing agencies that referred licensed nursing staff to hospitals and health facilities that admit patients for overnight care.

SB 1172 Negrete

McLeod

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Enacted

Chapter 517

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(31) RESPIRATORY CARE

SB 856

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted

Chapter 719

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

(32) SECURITY & INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES

AB 2128 Gaines

Private Security Services: Insurance Policies

Vetoed

Would have expanded and increased mandatory insurance requirements for private patrol operators (PPO) by requiring all PPO (rather than just a PPO that hires armed security guards) to maintain an insurance policy that provided a minimum of \$1,000,000 (rather than \$500,000) in insurance for any single loss due to bodily injury or death and \$1,000,000 (rather than \$500,000) for any single loss due to injury or destruction of property.

SB 870 Ducheny

Proprietary Private Secuity Employers Licensing

EnactedChapter 712

Approves a 0.5 two-year limited term position and \$69,000 in FY 2010-11 to implement new licensing requirements pursuant to SB 741 (Chapter 361, Statutes of 2009).

SB 1190 Cedillo

Illegal Dumping Enforcement Officers: Baton Training

Enacted

Chapter 109

Removes the requirement that animal control officers and illegal dumping enforcement officers complete baton training by a facility certified by the Department of Consumer Affairs through the Bureau of Security and Investigative Services in order to carry a club or baton, and instead requires these officers complete training approved by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

(33) SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY & AUDIOLOGY & **HEARING AID DISPENSERS**

SB 856

Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

Enacted Chapter 719

SB 870 Ducheny

Consolidation of the Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology **Board and the Hearing Aid Dispensers Bureau**

Approves a reduction of a 1.0 position and \$2,000 in FY 2010-11, and ongoing, for the consolidation of the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board and the Hearing Aid Dispensers Bureau pursuant to AB 1535 (Chapter 309, Statutes of 2009).

Enacted Chapter 712

SB 1489

Business. **Professions** & Economic **Dev Com**

Healing Arts

Makes several minor and non-substantive changes to provisions pertaining to the health-related regulatory boards of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Enacted

Chapter 653

(34) SUNSET REVIEW

AB 1659 Huber

State Government: Agency Repeals

Creates the Joint Sunset Review Committee in the Legislature, which will be responsible for analysis of specified state agencies, to determine if the agencies continue to be necessary and cost effective.

Enacted Chapter 666

AB 2130 Huber

Professions & Vocations: Sunset Review

Abolishes the Joint Committee on Boards, Commissions, and Consumer Protection and requires state entities with sunset dates on or after January 1, 2011, to be subject to review by the Joint Sunset Review Committee that would be created by AB 1659 (Huber, 2010). Also, establishes new sunset dates for programs not related to the Department of Consumer Affairs. This bill also repeals Business & Professions Code Section 101.1, which allowed boards subject to sunset review to become bureaus under the DCA upon becoming inoperative or being repealed.

Enacted Chapter 670

(35) TELEPHONE MEDICAL ADVICE SERVICES

No bills introduced in the 2010 legislative session.

(36) VETERINARY MEDICINE

AB 1980 Hayashi **Veterinary Medicine**

Changes the composition of the Veterinary Medical Board, extends its sunset date to January 1, 2014, eliminates the Registered Veterinary Technician Committee, and makes permanent the Board's multidisciplinary committee.

AB 2000 Hagman

Rabies: Vaccinations

Would have exempted dog owners from vaccinating a dog if a licensed veterinarian determined, annually, that the dog may have a potentially lethal reaction to the canine anti-rabies vaccine.

SB 250 Florez **Dogs & Cats: Spaying & Neutering**

Would have made it unlawful for any person to own an unsterilized dog or cat six months of age or older, with certain exemptions, and subjected the owner to various penalties, including mandatory sterilization of the animal and impoundment costs.

SB 856 Committee on Budget & Fiscal **Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services**

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 870 Ducheny

Review

Veterinary Medicine: Additional Position

Approves 1.0 position and \$111,000 in FY 2010-11, and \$68,000 ongoing, to support various changes to the Board's examination and enforcement workload.

(37) VOCATIONAL NURSING & PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIANS

AB 583 Hayashi **Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education**

Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.

AB 2699 Bass **Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption**

Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while

Enacted Chapter

Chapter 538

Appropriations Committee

Died in Senate

Failed in

Assembly Unfinished Business

Enacted

Chapter 856

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Chapter 270

Chapter 436

Chapter 712

participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.

SB 856

Review

Committee on Budget & Fiscal

Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services

Enacted Chapter 719

Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.

SB 870 Ducheny

Vocational Nursing: Licensing

Chapter 712 Approves 4.0 positions and \$258,000 in FY 2010-11, and \$229,000 ongoing, to address the Board's increased application workload.

SB 1111 Negrete McLeod

Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement

Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the boards' authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.

Died in Senate Business, Professions & Economic Dev Committee

Enacted

SB 1119 Wright

Health Care Staffing

Vetoed

Would have extended various existing disclosure and reporting requirements to temporary staffing agencies that refer licensed nursing staff to hospitals and health facilities that admit patients for overnight care.

SB 1172 Negrete McLeod

Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs

Enacted Chapter 517

Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation.